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QUESTIONS 1 THROUGH 5 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

On a different subject…
ASK ALL:
Q.6 How do you get most of your news about national and international issues? From **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]? [ACCEPT TWO ANSWERS: IF ONLY ONE RESPONSE IS GIVEN, PROBE FOR ADDITIONAL RESPONSE]**

	Television	Newspapers	Radio	Magazines	Internet	(VOL.) Other	(VOL.) DK/Ref
July, 2009	71	33	21	3	42	1	1
December, 2008	70	35	18	5	40	2	1
September, 2007	74	34	13	2	24	2	1
July, 2007	65	27	15	2	26	2	1
Late September, 2006	74	37	16	4	21	3	1
August, 2006	72	36	14	4	24	2	1
November, 2005	73	36	16	2	20	2	*
Early Sept, 2005[1] *(Hurricane Katrina)*	**89**	**35**	**17**	*****	**21**	**3**	*****
June, 2005	74	44	22	5	24	2	1
December, 2004	74	46	21	4	24	2	3
October, 2003	80	50	18	4	20	2	1
August, 2003	79	46	15	3	18	2	1
Early July, 2003	79	45	16	5	19	1	*
March, 2003 *(War in Iraq)*	**89**	**24**	**19**	*****	**11**	**2**	*****
February, 2003	83	42	19	4	15	3	*
January, 2003	81	44	22	4	17	2	1
January, 2002	82	42	21	3	14	2	*
Mid-September, 2001 *(Terror Attacks)*	**90**	**11**	**14**	*****	**5**	**1**	**1**
Early September, 2001	74	45	18	6	13	1	*
February, 2001	76	40	16	4	10	2	1
October, 1999	80	48	19	5	11	2	*
January, 1999	82	42	18	4	6	2	*
January, 1996	88	61	25	8	--	2	*
September, 1995	82	63	20	10	--	1	1
January, 1994	83	51	15	10	--	5	1
September, 1993	83	60	17	9	--	3	*
January, 1993	83	52	17	5	--	1	1
Early January, 1991 *(Persian Gulf)*	82	40	15	4	--	1	*

[1] In Early September 2005, the question was worded "news about the impact of Hurricane Katrina." In March 2003, the question was worded "news about the war in Iraq," and in Mid-September 2001, the question was worded "news about the terrorist attacks." In September 1995, question wording did not include "international." In Early January 1991 the question asked about "the latest developments in the Persian Gulf."

IF '1' TELEVISION AS EITHER 1ST OR 2ND RESPONSE IN Q.6 ASK [N=1090]:

Q.7 On television, do you get most of your news about national and international issues from **[READ, RANDOMIZE ITEMS 2 THRU 4 AND 5 THRU 7 SEPARATELY, AND RANDOMIZE SETS OF ITEMS (LOCAL; NETWORK; CABLE). ACCEPT MULTIPLE ANSWERS BUT DO NOT PROBE FOR ADDITIONAL]**

BASED ON TOTAL:		Dec 2008	Sept 2007	July 2007	Aug 2006	Nov 2005	***Hurricane Katrina*** Early Sept 2005[2]	June 2005	Dec 2004	Oct 2003	Aug 2003	Early July 2003	Jan 2002
18	Local news programming	15	18	12	13	16	19	13	15	17	17	17	16
11	ABC Network news	12	11	10	10	14	14	12	11	12	12	12	11
10	CBS Network news	9	8	7	9	12	8	9	9	8	10	11	11
13	NBC Network news	10	13	11	12	15	12	12	14	13	15	14	15
22	CNN Cable news	23	22	16	24	24	31	18	20	20	26	27	28
6	MSNBC Cable news	8	7	5	6	8	9	5	6	6	7	9	8
19	The Fox News Cable Channel	17	16	17	20	22	22	16	19	17	18	22	16
3	Other **(VOL.)**	4	3	2	6	5	3	2	3	--	3	3	4
1	Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**	2	2	1	1	3	3	4	3	4	4	3	2
(29)	*TV not a main source*	*(30)*	*(26)*	*(35)*	*(28)*	*(27)*	*(11)*	*(26)*	*(26)*	*(20)*	*(21)*	*(21)*	*(18)*

Figures add to more than 100% because of multiple responses.

ASK ALL:

Q.A Now thinking about local news about issues and events in your area…How do you get most of your local news? From **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**? **[ACCEPT TWO ANSWERS: IF ONLY ONE RESPONSE IS GIVEN, PROBE FOR ADDITIONAL RESPONSE]**

64	Television
41	Newspapers
18	Radio [OR]
17	The internet
3	Other **[VOL. DO NOT READ]**
2	Don't know/Refused **[VOL. DO NOT READ]**

QUESTIONS 8 THROUGH 7 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

NO QUESTIONS 18 THROUGH 24

2 In early September 2005, the question was worded: "Have you been getting most of your news about the disaster from …"

ASK ALL:

Q.25 Now I'd like your opinion of some groups and organizations in the news. Is your overall opinion of... **(INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE ITEMS a. THROUGH c. FOLLOWED BY RANDOMIZED ITEMS d. THROUGH l.; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS)** very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? **(INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE")** How about **(NEXT ITEM)? [IF NECESSARY:** would you say your overall opinion of **[ITEM]** is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable?**[INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."]**

QUESTIONS 25a-c PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

		-------Favorable------			-----Unfavorable-----			**(VOL.)** Never	**(VOL.)** Can't
		Total	*Very*	*Mostly*	Total	*Very*	*Mostly*	heard of	rate
d.	CNN – Cable News Network								
	July, 2009	60	*20*	*40*	19	*7*	*12*	*	21
	July, 2007	59	*22*	*37*	23	*8*	*15*	*	18
	January, 1992	82	*44*	*38*	4	*3*	*1*	3	11
	September, 1987	53	*23*	*30*	5	*3*	*2*	6	36
e.	The Fox News Cable Channel								
	July, 2009	55	*19*	*36*	25	*12*	*13*	1	19
	July, 2007	61	*26*	*35*	20	*10*	*10*	1	18
f.	MSNBC cable news								
	July, 2009	48	*13*	*35*	19	*7*	*12*	2	31

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=760]:

		Total	*Very*	*Mostly*	Total	*Very*	*Mostly*	Never heard of	Can't rate
g.F1	Network television news such as ABC, NBC, and CBS								
	July, 2009	64	*18*	*46*	24	*8*	*16*	0	12
	July, 2007	65	*22*	*43*	27	*9*	*18*	*	8
	June, 2005[3]	68	*19*	*49*	23	*6*	*17*	*	9
	July, 2001	72	*17*	*55*	23	*7*	*16*	*	5
	August, 1999	74	*19*	*55*	24	*6*	*18*	*	2
	June, 1999	68	*20*	*48*	28	*6*	*22*	*	4
	February, 1998	76	*16*	*60*	22	*5*	*17*	*	2
	February, 1997	73	*15*	*58*	23	*5*	*18*	*	4
	April, 1996	79	*21*	*58*	17	*4*	*13*	0	4
	January, 1996	83	*25*	*58*	15	*4*	*11*	*	2
	June, 1995	67	*16*	*51*	30	*9*	*21*	*	3
	July, 1994	69	*17*	*52*	29	*7*	*22*	*	2
	May, 1993	81	*23*	*58*	15	*3*	*12*	0	4
	January, 1992	82	*27*	*55*	13	*2*	*11*	0	5
	November, 1991	75	*24*	*51*	21	*5*	*16*	0	4
	March, 1991	91	*40*	*51*	7	*2*	*5*	0	2
	May, 1990	82	*22*	*60*	15	*3*	*12*	*	3
	August, 1989	82	*28*	*54*	14	*3*	*11*	4	
	February, 1989	82	*21*	*61*	15	*3*	*12*	3	
	August, 1988 (RVs)	81	*29*	*52*	14	*5*	*9*	5	
	May, 1988	78	*20*	*58*	18	*4*	*14*	4	
	January, 1988	81	*12*	*69*	16	*3*	*13*	3	
	January 7-18, 1988	78	*18*	*60*	18	*4*	*14*	4	

3 In June 2005, "...such as ABC, NBC, and CBS" was added to the question wording.

Q.25 CONTINUED …

		-------Favorable------			-----Unfavorable-----			(VOL.) Never	(VOL.) Can't
		Total	*Very*	*Mostly*	Total	*Very*	*Mostly*	heard of	rate
	October, 1987	81	*19*	*62*	13	*3*	*10*	6	
	May, 1987	84	*21*	*63*	14	*3*	*11*	2	
	January, 1987	74	*19*	*55*	22	*6*	*16*	4	
	July, 1986	83	*30*	*53*	14	*4*	*10*	3	
	August, 1985	81	*30*	*51*	10	*2*	*8*	7	
	July, 1985	84	*25*	*59*	10	*2*	*8*	6	
h.F1	Local television news								
	July, 2009	73	*20*	*53*	17	*7*	*10*	1	10
	July, 2007	73	*25*	*48*	20	*6*	*14*	*	7
	June, 2005	73	*22*	*51*	20	*6*	*14*	*	7
	July, 2001	79	*25*	*54*	17	*4*	*13*	*	4
	June, 1999	74	*25*	*49*	22	*7*	*15*	*	4
	February, 1998	81	*19*	*62*	16	*4*	*12*	0	3
	February, 1997	81	*25*	*56*	15	*3*	*12*	0	4
	April, 1996	84	*26*	*58*	13	*3*	*10*	*	3
	January, 1996	84	*28*	*56*	14	*4*	*10*	*	2
	March, 1991	89	*37*	*52*	8	*2*	*6*	*	3
	August, 1989	80	*27*	*53*	15	*4*	*11*	5	
	July, 1985	84	*27*	*57*	11	*2*	*9*	5	
i.F1	NPR – National Public Radio								
	July, 2009	44	*17*	*27*	12	*5*	*8*	9	35
ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=746]:									
j.F2	The daily newspaper you are most familiar with								
	July, 2009	65	*17*	*48*	20	*6*	*14*	*	15
	July, 2007	69	*21*	*48*	19	*6*	*13*	*	12
	June, 2005	72	*22*	*50*	18	*5*	*13*	0	10
	July, 2001	75	*24*	*51*	17	*5*	*12*	*	8
	August, 1999	78	*22*	*56*	18	*5*	*13*	*	4
	June, 1999	79	*24*	*55*	17	*6*	*11*	*	4
	February, 1998	74	*18*	*56*	18	*5*	*13*	*	8
	February, 1997	74	*21*	*53*	19	*4*	*15*	0	7
	April, 1996	80	*24*	*56*	16	*4*	*12*	0	4
	January, 1996	79	*27*	*52*	16	*5*	*11*	*	5
	June, 1995	74	*22*	*52*	21	*7*	*14*	1	4
	July, 1994	80	*23*	*57*	18	*5*	*13*	*	2
	May, 1993	81	*26*	*55*	14	*4*	*10*	0	5
	January, 1992	78	*27*	*51*	18	*5*	*13*	0	4
	November, 1991	80	*24*	*56*	16	*5*	*11*	0	4
	March, 1991	85	*30*	*55*	10	*3*	*7*	*	5
	May, 1990	78	*22*	*56*	17	*5*	*12*	*	5
	August, 1989	77	*25*	*52*	17	*5*	*12*	6	
	February, 1989	78	*22*	*56*	17	*4*	*13*	5	
	August, 1988 (RVs)	78	*30*	*48*	15	*5*	*10*	7	
	May, 1988	78	*19*	*59*	17	*4*	*13*	5	
	January, 1988	81	*19*	*62*	14	*3*	*11*	5	
	January 7-18, 1988	80	*21*	*59*	16	*4*	*12*	4	
	October, 1987	79	*21*	*58*	13	*4*	*9*	8	

Q.25 CONTINUED …

		-------Favorable------			-----Unfavorable-----			**(VOL.)** Never	**(VOL.)** Can't
		Total	*Very*	*Mostly*	Total	*Very*	*Mostly*	heard of	rate
	May, 1987	81	*22*	*59*	15	*3*	*12*	4	
	January, 1987	76	*19*	*57*	19	*6*	*13*	5	
	July, 1986	79	*28*	*51*	17	*6*	*11*	4	
	August, 1985	77	*25*	*52*	15	*5*	*10*	8	
	July, 1985	81	*25*	*56*	11	*3*	*8*	8	
k.F2	The New York Times								
	July, 2009	29	*10*	*20*	17	*8*	*9*	1	53
l.F2	The Wall Street Journal								
	July, 2009	32	*7*	*25*	13	*6*	*8*	1	54

NO QUESTIONS 26 THROUGH 29

ASK ALL:

Q.30 Some people think that by criticizing leaders, news organizations keep political leaders from doing their job. Others think that such criticism is worth it because it keeps political leaders from doing things that should not be done. Which position is closer to your opinion?

	Keeps leaders from doing their job	Keeps leaders from doing things that shouldn't be done	**(VOL.)** DK/Ref
July, 2009	22	62	16
July, 2007	27	58	15
November, 2005	22	62	16
June, 2005	28	60	12
Early July, 2003	29	54	17
July, 2002	26	59	15
Mid-November, 2001	32	54	14
Early September, 2001	25	60	15
February, 1999	31	58	11
Early February, 1998	39	55	6
February, 1997	32	56	12
Late January, 1994	24	66	10
Early January, 1994	18	69	13
August, 1989	23	68	9
December, 1986	26	60	14
July, 1985	17	67	16

ASK ALL:

Q.31 In general, do you think news organizations get the facts straight, or do you think that their stories and reports are often inaccurate?

	Get the facts straight	Stories often inaccurate	**(VOL.)** DK/Ref
July, 2009	29	63	8
July, 2007	39	53	8
June, 2005	36	56	8
Early July, 2003	36	56	8
July, 2002	35	56	9
Mid-November, 2001	46	45	9

QUESTION 31 CONTINUED…

	Get the facts straight	Stories often inaccurate	**(VOL.)** DK/Ref
Early September, 2001	35	57	8
February, 1999	37	58	5
Early August, 1998	33	58	9
Early February, 1998	34	63	3
February, 1997	37	56	7
January, 1992	49	44	7
August, 1989	54	44	2
August, 1988	40	50	10
May, 1988	48	43	9
January, 1988	44	48	8
July, 1985	55	34	11

ASK ALL:

Q.32 In presenting the news dealing with political and social issues, do you think that news organizations deal fairly with all sides, or do they tend to favor one side?

	Deal fairly with all sides	Tend to favor one side	**(VOL.)** DK/Ref
July, 2009	18	74	8
July, 2007	26	66	8
June, 2005	21	72	7
Early July, 2003	26	66	8
Early September, 2001	26	67	7
February, 1997	27	67	6
January, 1992	31	63	6
August, 1989	28	68	4
August, 1988	36	57	7
May, 1988	34	56	10
January, 1988	30	59	11
December, 1986	39	54	7
July, 1986	37	57	6
July, 1985	34	53	13

ASK ALL:

Q.33 In general, do you think news organizations are pretty independent, or are they often influenced by powerful people and organizations?

	Pretty independent	Often influenced by powerful people and organizations	**(VOL.)** DK/Ref
July, 2009	20	74	6
July, 2007	23	69	8
June, 2005	21	73	6
Early July, 2003	23	70	7
Early September, 2001	23	71	6
January, 1994	28	63	9
January, 1992	35	58	7
August, 1989	33	62	5
January, 1988	40	49	11
July, 1986	37	53	10
July, 1985	37	53	10

ASK ALL:

Q.34 In general, do you think news organizations pay too much attention to GOOD NEWS, too much attention to BAD NEWS, or do they mostly report the kinds of stories they should be covering?

	Too much attention to good news	Too much attention to bad news	Report the kinds of stories they should be covering	(VOL.) DK/Ref
July, 2009	3	66	24	7
July, 2007	4	64	26	6
June, 2005	3	67	23	7
Early July, 2003	2	67	25	6
Early September, 2001	3	67	24	6
May, 1991	2	54	37	7
August, 1989	3	64	30	3
July, 1985	1	60	35	4

ASK ALL:

Q.35 I'm going to read you some pairs of opposite phrases. After I read each pair, tell me which ONE phrase you feel better describes news organizations generally. If you think that NEITHER phrase applies, please say so. First, would you say news organizations (are)…**[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE ORDER OF THE ITEM PAIRS; DO NOT RANDOMIZE ORDER WITHIN PAIRS; NOTE FORM SPLITS]**. How about [**NEXT ITEM PAIR]? [IF NECESSARY**: would you say news organizations (are)**]**

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=760]:			July 07	June 05	Early July 03	July 02	Mid-Nov 01	Early Sept 01	Feb 99	Aug 89	Jan 87	July 86	July 85
a.F1	32	Care about the people they report on, OR	35	28	31	30	47	23	21	--	41	--	35
	55	Don't care about the people they report on	53	58	56	55	38	64	67	--	45	--	48
	8	Neither applies	7	9	9	10	11	10	9	--	9	--	10
	4	Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**	5	5	4	5	4	3	3	--	5	--	7
b.F1	21	Willing to admit their mistakes, OR	29	28	27	23	35	24	26	--	--	--	34
	70	Try to cover up their mistakes	63	62	62	67	52	67	66	--	--	--	55
	4	Neither applies	4	6	5	6	9	5	6	--	--	--	4
	5	Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**	4	4	6	4	4	4	2	--	--	--	7
c.F1	41	Moral, OR	46	43	45	39	53	40	40	--	--	--	54
	38	Immoral	32	35	32	36	23	34	38	--	--	--	13
	14	Neither applies	15	15	14	18	17	20	16	--	--	--	20
	7	Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**	7	7	9	7	7	6	6	--	--	--	13
d.F1	52	Growing in influence, OR	52	49	55	57	--	55	59	--	--	--	63
	34	Declining in influence	36	36	29	29	--	29	32	--	--	--	17
	7	Neither applies	6	7	8	7	--	9	6	--	--	--	7
	7	Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**	6	8	8	7	--	7	3	--	--	--	13
e.F1	46	Protect democracy, OR	44	47	52	50	60	46	45	55	52	58	54
	37	Hurt democracy	36	33	28	29	19	32	38	19	27	18	23
	10	Neither applies	13	12	13	14	14	15	13	20	13	17	13
	7	Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**	7	8	7	7	7	7	4	6	8	7	10

Q.35 CONTINUED...

			July 07	June 05	Early July 03	July 02	Mid-Nov 01	Early Sept 01	Feb 99	Aug 89	Jan 87	July 86	July 85
ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=746]:													
f.F2	67	Care about how good a job they do, OR	69	65	68	65	78	69	69	--	--	77	79
	23	Don't care about how good a job they do	23	25	22	23	14	22	22	--	--	16	11
	5	Neither applies	6	6	7	8	6	7	6	--	--	5	4
	4	Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**	2	4	3	4	2	2	3	--	--	2	6
g.F2	59	Highly professional, OR	66	59	62	49	73	54	52	--	--	71	72
	27	Not professional	22	25	24	31	12	27	32	--	--	13	11
	10	Neither applies	9	12	9	15	12	15	13	--	--	12	9
	4	Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**	3	4	5	5	3	4	3	--	--	4	8
h.F2	41	Stand up for America, OR	41	42	51	49	69	43	41	--	53	53	52
	44	Too critical of America	43	40	33	35	17	36	42	--	35	28	30
	10	Neither applies	12	14	12	12	10	16	13	--	8	15	10
	5	Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**	4	4	4	4	4	5	4	--	4	4	8
i.F2	60	Politically biased in their reporting, OR	55	60	53	59	47	59	56	--	47	42	45
	26	Careful that their reporting is NOT politically biased	31	28	29	26	35	26	31	--	39	41	36
	7	Neither applies	7	6	9	10	11	8	8	--	7	9	7
	7	Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**	7	6	9	5	7	7	5	--	7	8	12
j.F2	50	Liberal, OR	52	50	51	--	--	--	--	--	54	--	41
	22	Conservative	25	26	26	--	--	--	--	--	26	--	19
	17	Neither applies	14	16	14	--	--	--	--	--	12	--	20
	10	Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**	9	8	9	--	--	--	--	--	8	--	20

NO QUESTIONS 36 THROUGH 38

ASK ALL:

Q.39 Now a different kind of question. We're interested in how important you think it would be if some different kinds of news organizations were to go out of business. For example….If all of the **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE; KEEP ITEMS a-c IN ONE BLOCK; ITEMS d and e IN ONE BLOCK] [INSERT FOR ITEMS a-c** (went off the air); **FOR ITEMS d and e** (stopped publishing)] and shut down their websites, would that be an important loss, or not so important? What about all…**[NEXT ITEM]…**would this be an important loss, or not so important? **[READ FOR FIRST ITEM IN SECOND BLOCK; OTHERWISE IF NECESSARY**: if all of the **[ITEM]** (went off the air/stopped publishing)] and shut down their websites… would that be an important loss, or not so important?**] [INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: IF RESPONDENT ASKS FOR CLARIFICATION ABOUT "personally or generally?" CLARIFY WITH "Important just in general"]**

		Important loss	Not so important	**(VOL.)** DK/Ref
a.	Cable news networks like CNN, Fox News and MSNBC			
	July, 2009	75	22	3
b.	Network TV evening news programs on ABC, CBS, NBC and PBS			
	July, 2009	76	21	3

QUESTION 39 CONTINUED…

		Important loss	Not so important	(VOL.) DK/ Ref
c.	Local television news programs in your area			
	July, 2009	82	16	2
d.	Local newspapers in your area			
	July, 2009	74	24	2
e.	Large national newspapers like USA Today, the New York Times and the Wall Street Journal			
	July, 2009	68	29	4

ASK ALL:

Q.40 Thinking specifically about local news, which news organizations do the most to uncover and report on important local issues? [**READ; RANDOMIZE 1-3 WITH 4** ("online news websites…") **ALWAYS LAST**]

25	Local newspapers
44	Local TV stations
10	Local radio stations [OR]
11	Online news websites that are not affiliated with TV, radio or newspapers
*	Other **[VOL. DO NOT READ]**
3	Multiple/Same **[VOL. DO NOT READ]**
*	None **[VOL. DO NOT READ]**
6	Don't Know/Refused **[VOL. DO NOT READ]**

NO QUESTIONS 41 THROUGH 47

QUESTIONS 48 THROUGH 66 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

ASK ALL:

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent?

IF ANSWERED 3, 4, 5 OR 9 IN PARTY, ASK:

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

	Republican	Democrat	Independent	(VOL.) No preference	(VOL.) Other party	(VOL.) DK/ Ref	*Lean Rep*	*Lean Dem*
July, 2009	22	34	37	5	*	2	15	14
June, 2009	25	34	34	3	*	3	11	16
May, 2009	23	39	29	4	*	4	9	14
April, 2009	22	33	39	3	*	3	13	18
March, 2009	24	34	35	5	*	2	12	17
February, 2009	24	36	34	3	1	2	13	17
January, 2009	25	37	33	3	*	2	11	16
December, 2008	26	39	30	2	*	3	8	15
Late October, 2008	24	39	32	2	*	3	11	15
Mid-October, 2008	27	35	31	4	*	3	9	16
Early October, 2008	26	36	31	4	*	3	11	15
Late September, 2008	25	35	34	3	1	2	13	15
Mid-September, 2008	28	35	32	3	*	2	12	14
August, 2008	26	34	34	4	*	2	12	17
July, 2008	24	36	34	3	*	3	12	15
June, 2008	26	37	32	3	*	2	11	16

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	Republican	Democrat	Independent	(VOL.) No preference	(VOL.) Other party	(VOL.) DK/ Ref	*Lean Rep*	*Lean Dem*
Late May, 2008	25	35	35	2	*	3	13	15
April, 2008	24	37	31	5	1	2	11	15
March, 2008	24	38	29	5	*	4	9	14
Late February, 2008	24	38	32	3	*	3	10	17
Early February, 2008	26	35	31	5	*	3	11	14
January, 2008	24	33	37	4	*	2	12	18
Yearly Totals								
2008	25.3	35.8	31.7	3.8	.3	3.1	10.5	15.4
2007	25.4	32.9	33.7	4.6	.4	3.1	10.7	16.7
2006	27.6	32.8	30.3	5.0	.4	3.9	10.2	14.5
2005	29.2	32.8	30.3	4.5	.3	2.8	10.2	14.9
2004	29.7	33.4	29.8	3.9	.4	2.9	11.7	13.4
2003	29.8	31.4	31.2	4.7	.5	2.5	12.1	13.0
2002	30.3	31.2	30.1	5.1	.7	2.7	12.6	11.6
2001	29.2	33.6	28.9	5.1	.5	2.7	11.7	11.4
2001 Post-Sept 11	*30.9*	*31.8*	*27.9*	*5.2*	*.6*	*3.6*	*11.7*	*9.4*
2001 Pre-Sept 11	*28.2*	*34.6*	*29.5*	*5.0*	*.5*	*2.1*	*11.7*	*12.5*
2000	27.5	32.5	29.5	5.9	.5	4.0	11.6	11.6
1999	26.6	33.5	33.7	3.9	.5	1.9	13.0	14.5
1998	27.5	33.2	31.9	4.6	.4	2.4	11.8	13.5
1997	28.2	33.3	31.9	4.0	.4	2.3	12.3	13.8
1996	29.2	32.7	33.0	5.2	--	--	12.7	15.6
1995	31.4	29.7	33.4	5.4	--	--	14.4	12.9
1994	29.8	31.8	33.8	4.6	--	--	14.3	12.6
1993	27.4	33.8	34.0	4.8	--	--	11.8	14.7
1992	27.7	32.7	35.7	3.9	--	--	13.8	15.8
1991	30.9	31.4	33.2	4.5	--	--	14.6	10.8
1990	31.0	33.1	29.1	6.8	--	--	12.4	11.3
1989	33	33	34	--	--	--	--	--
1987	26	35	39	--	--	--	--	--

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Q.2 In your opinion, are the news organizations you are familiar with being fair or unfair to the Obama administration?

62 Fair
23 Unfair
14 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**